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RESPONSE AFTER NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

M/S: Box (NON-FEE) Amendment
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Dear Sir:

In response to the **(NON-FINAL)** Examiner's Action mailed November 4, 2003 (Paper No. 2), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire February 4, 2004, the above-identified patent application is amended as follows: